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## LIGHTNING STRIKES HOUSE. Roof is Demolished, While Family Has Miraculous Escape.

Sunday afternoon, of last week, during a severe electrical storm, the residence of Vem Kelley, six miles from Hickman, in the upper bottom, was struck by lightning and the roof practically demolished. The ceiling and a telephone were torn off the wall in a hall, and several large jars, on the porch where Mrs. Kelley was churning, were broken. With the exception of a severe shock sustained by Mrs. Kelley, none of the family were injured. At the time of the accident there were six or eight people in the house, and their escape from injury was miraculous.

## The Demons of the Swamp

are mosquitoes. As they sting they put deadly malaria germs in the blood. Then follow the icy chills and the fever. The appetite flies and the strength fails; also malaria often paves the way for deadly typhoid. But Electric Bitters kill and cast out the malaria germs from the blood; give you a fine appetite and renew your strength. "After long suffering," wrote Wm. Fretwell, of Lucama, N. C., "three bottles drove all the malaria from my system, and I've had good health ever since." Best for all stomach, liver and kidney ills. See at Heim & Ellison's.

## NOT KNOWN HERE.

A special appeared in the St. Louis papers Saturday as follows:

Joseph Meyer, 191 years old, who has lost six children and a chicken farm by floods, has started to a Chicago institution of charity with a cent in his pocket. He declared he would cover the distance alone. After the Galveston tidal wave had killed his two sons and four daughters, Meyer gathered what remained of his \$20,000 fortune and started a chicken farm at Hickman, Ky. The flood there last month destroyed his chickens and everything else but a few odds and ends. Hence he sold and started for Chicago. He was born in Berlin in 1811. He says he served in the Mexican and Civil Wars.

The Courier has interviewed a number of our oldest citizens, and none of them have ever heard of the unfortunate man mentioned in the above item, nor is there a chicken farm in this vicinity.

## CARD OF THANKS.

The undersigned take this means of thanking their neighbors and friends for their kind offices during the illness and death of their beloved husband and father. May you long be spared a similar sorrow in our prayer.

Mrs. A. S. Griffin.  
Will Griffin.

Don't forget to "boil the water."

Arch Hertweck left Saturday for Memphis. He will be gone about 3 months.

A. M. Tyler has purchased a new 6-passenger, self-starting Hudson touring car, which will arrive this week. He sold his Hupp to parties in Memphis.

Don't be a loafer, don't class yourself a loafer, don't hang about loafing places. Better work for nothing and board yourself than sit around corners with your hands in your pockets.

All sections and all classes will benefit by good roads. Few movements are as truly national, in as many ways, as the flourishing cause of highway improvement. If you are interested in making better roads try to attend the Good Roads rally at Paducah next Tuesday.

The plan to send an uninstructed delegation to Baltimore is the offspring of h-pocrisy and cowardice. It is a scheme to sell Kentucky out to the highest bidder. There will be big money at Baltimore. Those who are onto the inside of what is going forward know this. Wall street, and by Wall street we mean the furtive money-breeding end of it, looks to get in its work as the result of an unexpected deadlock through the confusion created thereby and incident thereto, and the Haly-Beckham bunch perfectly understanding the meaning of the chance, would have an uninstructed delegation on the ground and in its own hands ready for quick delivery, "p-d-n" and "c-o-d." That is all there is to it fellow Democrats. That is its length, breadth and thickness, men of Kentucky.—Ex.



## Clothes that keep shape

**Y**OU know the importance to you of having your clothes keep shape; and you know how very uncommon this quality is in clothes. One important point in giving clothes this shape-keeping quality is the proper shrinkage of the cloth before it's cut.

## Hart Schaffner & Marx

have their own process of shrinking, by special machinery which they invented. It's a process that would ruin any but all-wool fabrics; you can imagine what would happen to the common cotton mixtures of which most clothing is made if the fabrics were subjected to such a process.

We just thought you might be interested in knowing why our Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes keep their shape so well; you can see why we like to sell them.

Suits \$18.00 to \$25.00  
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## SMITH & AMBERG

Uncle Joe Noonon, who has served this county well and faithfully for 18 years as jailer, is really one of Hickman's old citizens. While a caller at this office Friday, he had occasion to refer to that fact that he came to Hickman (then known as Mills Point) in September, 1844. And what changes. He saw the first steel wing plow made that ever came to Hickman. Joe Pierce was running a plow factory where W. A. Dodds new building is now located. The plow was taken out and tried in the presence of a crowd of farmers, who were anxious to see the "critter" work. Several of them were unanimous in their opinion that it was no good, stating "you can't make any corn with that thing; it turns the ground over too slick." In 1857, Mr. Noonon decided to go in to the dray business, and City Clerk Judge Walker issued him a license from his office in the old Kirk building, the same room as is now occupied by Dr. Overby. This was before Uncle Joe was a housekeeper, and he tells us that he boarded at Jno. Everett's hotel, located at that time where Prof. B. F. Gabby's residence now stands. Later he married and

started housekeeping in the second story of a building, on the corner now occupied by the Hickman Hardware Company's warehouse, east of the Courier office. In this building his first child was born. Later Mr. Noonon entered the race for county jailer, defeating Geo. Carpenter and W. F. Blakemore. He has been defeating his opponents for this office for 18 years now, and expects to do the same thing next year. We expect he has kissed more babies, and bought more striped candy and cheap cigars than any two men in the county—with Circuit Clerk Morris, probably, a close second. Uncle Joe stands up well under the weight of 75 summers, and with the exception of his snow-white hair, he has the appearance of a man many years his junior.

When the baby takes too much food the stomach turns; the result is indigestion, sourness and vomiting. Frequently the bowels are involved and there is colic pains and diarrhoea. McGEHEE'S BABY ELIXIR is a grand corrective remedy for the stomach and bowel disorders of babies. It is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

Did you ever stop to think what a great labor saver the home paper is as a means of communication with absent friends? "Write to me often," is the last command the one breaking away from home ties so often gives to those left behind. In the rush and hurry of every day very few people nowadays have time to devote to correspondence of the leisurely kind the people of other days kept up with such unvarying punctuality. And here is where the Courier saves a world of trouble. It is better than a letter, too, for it contains much that a letter would not. Items of interest are in it that the writer of a letter might not know or overlook. It is wonderful how eagerly one devours a home paper when a stranger in a strange land. Even the people you do not know intimately while at home, become of absorbing interest to you when you read that they have died or married or figured otherwise prominently in the home affairs. If there is some one of your family away from home, try sending them this paper regularly and a letter occasionally and see if they do not appreciate the favor of the paper.

Uncle Sam's 10-year lease on the Tyler building, in which the postoffice is located expires the first of next month. As is their custom, the government will ask for bids for a similar lease in a short time. A 10-years lease by Uncle Sam is a better proposition than renting to Tom, Dick and Harry, and we understand several bids are forthcoming. The postoffice may change locations with a renewal of contract.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Hertweck and son, Arch, will leave soon for Fresno, Cal., to make their home. Mr. Hertweck and wife are two of Hickman's oldest and most highly respected citizens and their many friends regret that they are to leave us.

Judge Allen W. Barkley, of Paducah, candidate for Congress from this district, has been here several days since our last issue making the acquaintance of the voters of Hickman and vicinity.

Home grown vegetables are on the market.

## POSTOFFICE BILL PASSED. Rural Route Parcels Post Among Main Features.

After several weeks of debate the house Friday finally passed the postoffice appropriation bill carrying approximately \$260,000,000 for the expenses of the postal service for the next fiscal year. The bill passed by a vote of 227 to 5 without a roll call, although roll calls were had on several of the legislative features of the bill. General debate then was begun on the legislative, executive and judicial measure.

Among the important legislative sections of the postoffice bill is that which creates an experimental parcels post on strictly rural routes and a temporary parcels post on general routes. This legislation, however, is subject to change at the next session, when a joint committee authorized by the bill, make recommendations for the establishment of an unlimited parcels post. As adopted the parcels post rates on rural routes will be 5 cents a pound for the first pound and one cent for each additional pound on packages not exceeding eleven pounds in weight. The general rate is 12 cents a pound with a package limit of eleven pounds.

Other legislative features of the bill embrace the Shackelford good roads amendment providing for federal aid to good roads by a system of tolls for the use of roads over which rural routes are carried; the Harnhardt amendment requiring newspapers and periodicals to publish the names of their owners and stockholders, and committee amendments revoking the "gag" rule in the postoffice department, and also requiring that steel cars only shall be used for the railroad mail service after July 1, 1917.

The good roads amendment is the sugar coating on the mail order pill, and the "system of tolls" may be a bigger thing than it appears.

In the whole field of medicine there is not a healing remedy that will repair damage to the flesh more quickly than BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. In cuts, burns, scalds, rheumatism, wounds and sprains, its healing and penetrating power is extraordinary. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

## TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Teachers' examinations will be held at the Court House at Hickman on the following dates:

May 17 and 18.  
May 24 and 25.

Virginia Luten, Co. Supt.

Oce Harris, Tom French and A. M. Tyler motored to Fulton, Friday.

Mrs. R. H. Kirk sends the Courier to her daughter, Mrs. D. O. Jeter, at Dallas, Texas, for one year.

The Colorado State Democratic convention instructed its delegates to vote for Champ Clark for President.

Dr. C. W. Curlin and wife and A. M. Tyler went to Memphis last week in Dr. Curlin's new motor boat, returning Friday.

The condition of wheat in the winter wheat belt of Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio is reported unusually promising.

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